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**A CIVIC TREAT
SUNDAY EVENING**

**Noted Chicago Reformer Will
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William Kent is a name to conjure with in mainland civic circles. He is a prominent example of the new type of young manhood being turned out by our leading universities. Rich, talented, an all-round sportsman, a society favorite, he has for years shaped for himself a career of unselfish service which has already earned for him an enviable reputation.

His father, the late A. E. Kent, of California, worked his way as a poor boy through Yale, and then began a life of unremitting hard work which finally brought him large wealth. Money getting for him was no end however. His mind had been too well trained and he used his great resources to equip his College for wider work and to help forward noble causes. His alma mater cherishes the Kent Laboratory as an especially choice memorial of this foster son who gave while he yet lived.

This father is alive again in larger spirit in his son William Kent, also an alumnus of Yale where he graduated twenty years ago. It seems hardly possible that a man of such youthful appearance and buoyant disposition should have so many years to his credit. He has crowded an immense amount of the best living into the two decades since his graduation. Choosing the hardest, most hopeless field for the municipal reformer, Mr. Kent determined to make Chicago his home and to do his battling for good government there. With time and money and trained intellect at his disposal he threw himself with the zest of an athlete into the civic arena in company with as fine a set of young men as any American city has ever known. The result is the Chicago of today, a redeemed municipality.

In the religious sphere Mr. Kent is as unique and interesting a character as he is in that of civics. A great Peoples Church, free and brave and fired with ambition for social service counts him as one of its doughtiest champions.

This varied endeavor has made large demands upon Mr. Kent for public speaking of an offhand, effective, thoroughly American sort. Learning of his presence in town the Civic Federation lost no time in requesting an address on "Christian Citizenship," knowing that Honolulu would prize an evening with so aggressive and picturesque a patriot. Though here for his health, Mr. Kent has kindly consented to speak next Sunday evening at Central Union Church under the auspices of this organization. All the college men in town are deeply interested in the coming of one who stands so squarely for the best university ideals of the day, and an evening of real inspiration is looked for. It is expected that every member of the Civic Federation will be on hand with his friends. The public are, of course, heartily welcome.

**SCHEME OF ARTISTS
RECEIVES ATTENTION**

At the meeting of the Civic Federation yesterday, the Kiloana Art League's plan for utilizing the old market for a McKinley memorial building, by the addition of an ornamental arch and other modifications, was fully discussed. The matter was finally referred to the committee on parks for a report.

As will be seen elsewhere the Chamber of Commerce has approved of the plan as set forth and illustrated in yesterday's Advertiser. Public opinion generally appears to be favorable to the plan.

HAS BEEN DONE BEFORE.

Marvelous as are the performances of the up-to-date airship, it seems to be forgotten that similar feats were possible as long ago as 1884, says The Dundee Advertiser. On August 9 of that year MM. Renard and Krebs, the former being the officer in charge of the official balloon establishment at Chalais-Meudon, succeeded for the first time in making a circular balloon voyage. With a cigar-shaped balloon, 150 feet long, propelled by a dynamo of 8-horsepower, the aeronauts traveled a distance of seven kilometers in twenty-three minutes, descending at the very spot from which they had started at Meudon. Later, on October 28, they made two equally successful voyages in the air, rising and descending at will, performing evolutions, and traveling against a fairly strong breeze, thus demonstrating what seems to be hailed as a very recent discovery, that a balloon can be steered through the air as easily as a ship over the seas.

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STAR CHAMBER MEETING

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sidered the entire matter settled by the resolution passed by the Board.

The two reporters, the Advertiser reporter and E. P. Irwin of the Bulletin, went into Mr. Pinkham's office, where they found him, seated at his desk. The Advertiser man asked for a full statement of what had been done in the secret meetings, but was refused point blank. Irwin then broke in:

"Look here, Mr. Pinkham, I have always treated you squarely, and the Bulletin has. I have, with my paper, kept this Wallach matter quiet at your request. In the face of this you have deceived me and lied to me. Now, I would like to know what explanation you have to make of this?"

"Why, I don't know what you mean."

"You certainly do know what I mean. I came to you and asked you about this story that the Star has, and you told me that there was nothing to it. What did you do that for?"

"Well, I don't want to talk about the matter at all. I don't have to talk if I don't want to."

The conversation closed by the two reporters leaving the room.

In speaking of the secret meetings later in the day E. C. Smith said:

"It's pretty hard to say how this will come out. When Cupid comes back it will mean that there will be something new sprung on some of the members of the Board. I was simply looking for information. The idea seems to be that there was a caucus held at which Pinkham, Robinson, Kalaupapa, Kaho, and possibly Hemenway were present. They made some arrangements and from all that I can learn the Star had the matter just about right. They were certainly not far off."

"Yes, it is rather rich; Pinkham first making his promises to the people at Kalaupapa, then coming back here and making his recommendations to the Board, and now holding secret meetings of the kind mentioned. You can be sure of one thing, that if Wallach brings his people over here to treat, it will not be done by a unanimous vote of the Board."

SECRET (?) MEETING.

The private meeting which took place a week ago Monday was attended by President Pinkham, Prince Cupid, C. P. Chillingworth, John Lane, Dr. Goodhue, Mark Robinson, Dr. Baldwin and Dr. Wayson. The matter of Prince Cupid's taking assurances to the Settlement was discussed but no decision was reached. In the course of the discussion Dr. Goodhue told of the feeling of the lepers, after President Pinkham had given them the assurance that he would support the sending of Wallach to them. He said that the band played continually and that they were like a crowd of little children, shaking hands with each other and happy as could be. When the news came that the matter had been turned down by the Board of Health, everything was changed. There was no music and all went round with the feeling of having lost all hope.

Dr. Goodhue expressed himself as in favor of sending Wallach to Molokai, or at least of allowing him to treat patients in Honolulu. Dr. Baldwin was against the proposition, while Dr. Wayson and Mark Robinson were in favor of the proposition. Pinkham gave little expression to his views.

In the course of the meeting Dr. Wayson expressed himself strongly to Prince Cupid and the others with him. Turning to address them he asked what they were ready to do with Wallach, in case he refused to take up the proposition or failed in accomplishing what he claimed after he had been allowed to. "Are you men with backbone enough to tar and feather him, or hang the —?" They were firm in their promises that he would get such treatment as he deserved in case he failed to come through.

Hemenway stated that he was not sure that he could change his vote on the subject. Lane then turned to him and suggested that there were a number of members of the board who would need confirmation at the coming session of the Legislature. Hemenway drew back and stated that if he was threatened in the matter, he would never change his vote, whereupon Wayson advised him to go to Wednesday night prayer meeting, where he might obtain guidance on the subject, which remark caused little pleasure to the Attorney General.

Wayson suggested that before Cupid was given any assurances an informal meeting of the Board should be held, and that it should be determined then what should be done, then at a formal meeting action could be taken with little of the palaver, and backing and filling that had been taking place. He said that he was tired of the foolishness that had been going on in the matter and would like to see it brought to an end without any more trouble.

The meeting was adjourned without any action being taken but two days afterward, on Wednesday, another secret meeting was held, at which President Pinkham, Robinson, Cupid and Chillingworth were present with others. What was done then is a matter of conjecture. It is certain that Cupid was given assurances that he could promise the people at the Settlement that Wallach would be allowed to treat some of them, but under what conditions is hard to say.

As matters stand at present, Dr. Baldwin, F. C. Smith and probably Hemenway, are against allowing Wallach to treat the patients. Wayson, Kalaupapa and Robinson are in

favor of the proposition. After the many changes and varying promises that have been made by Pinkham, it is absolutely impossible to say whether he is on the fence or has fallen off on either side.

When Cupid returns from the Settlement there is certain to be a warm meeting of the board at which the matter will be fought out to a finish, though a lovefeast may intervene between now and then. F. C. Smith and Dr. Wayson are both outspoken in their disapproval of the manner in which Mr. Pinkham has acted even though they hold opposite opinions on the subject.

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

"The meeting today has no business of importance, other than clearing away various reports that have been crowded to one side."

"It will be necessary to make some provision under Section 1181 R. L. of Hawaii, relative to permits for the persons engaged upon or resident on the United States Reservation in the County of Kalawao, Molokai, to land at Kalaupapa and pass to and from said reservation. I suggest that the President of the Board be authorized to establish a system of permits as between the United States' officials and the Superintendent of the Molokai Settlement."

"I hand you a report of Chief Sanitary Inspector D. S. Bowman relative to an epidemic of plague among the rats in Hilo. The situation has been handled so instantly, effectually and with such intelligence that Mr. Bowman and those who aided him are worthy of mention."

"No human beings have been attacked and we hope the infection was so effectually suppressed that none will be."

"The report of the Insane Asylum shows a decrease of inmates of 13—the total to September 30 being 294 in place of 317 July 1."

**PROPERTY NOT
ON TAX LISTS**

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few mortgages, which are hardly possible to collect, form the small pickings for the creditors, whose claims, according to a clerk in the office, amount to \$28,029.

P. H. Burnett, who was one of the originators of the company, but who left the concern after a year, on account of the manner in which the finances were conducted, tells an interesting story of the workings of the concern. He said:

"I left the company, Mr. Kentwell buying me out, twelve months after it had been started. There were several causes of dispute, among which was the drawing of \$2200 from the treasury of the company by Kentwell. It had been agreed that for the first year, until the affair was on a paying basis, there should be no salaries paid. No, Kentwell did not give a note. He simply took the money."

"Another cause of the trouble was the acceptance of a note from John D. Holt, for the sum of \$700, I believe, which was unsecured. I refused to stand for such transactions, and Kentwell was forced to buy me out and I was glad enough to get away unscathed. Mrs. Kentwell took over my stock. Was it at par? Well, I don't care to say. She bought the stock from me, that is all."

"I went out afterwards with Gene Cutting when he was employed as expert on the books, and the books of the first year, which I had kept personally, were not there. They must have been destroyed. There were entries in the new set of books dating back, but they were not in my hand writing and were not the original entries. The manner in which the books had been kept was such that it was impossible to see where the company stood financially."

When asked about taking in money recently, Kaohoe, the clerk in the office, for Holt did not appear during the day, stated that he had been told by Holt not to take any money on October 22 and had not taken any in since that time. He had evidently been coached, as Holt made a different statement on the night before.

Kaohoe, with the assistance of the \$21,690 worth of real estate, which does not appear on the tax assessor's books, attempted to show that the firm was in good condition. He became very much mixed in his attempts. He brought out the deed by which Mrs. Kentwell had transferred her property to the company for stock worth \$36,940, in par value of stock, to show that they had real estate, forgetting that this land had been sold since that time.

From all that can be learned Kentwell himself has not a cent's worth of property in the city. His wife, through whom the deals were made, has a home at Waikiki and some property at the corner of School and Fort streets, also a half interest in other property in Chinatown. Altogether this is worth perhaps \$15,000 but it is said to be mortgaged heavily.

Attorney General Hemenway yesterday directed Acting Treasurer Hapal to make an examination of the books and accounts of the Hawaiian Realty and Maturity Company, and to make a report of its condition to him. This was done in the belief that an exact statement of things as they are now will be the best basis from which to work in determining what responsibility, civil or criminal, rests on those connected with the company. An exact statement of the affairs of the concern as they exist now will also be the best basis of determining what should be done in the matter of winding up its affairs, either by a receivership or by throwing the concern into bankruptcy and having a trustee in bankruptcy appointed.

Acting Treasurer Hapal will probably make the investigation himself, perhaps beginning it today, or at any rate not later than Sunday. He says that the law authorizes the Treasurer to make an examination at any time he sees fit, and also to make an examination at any time on the request of those interested. As those interested have never asked for an examination it is to be presumed that they were satisfied with the way things were going, and the Treasurer has not felt

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himself called on of his own motion to make an examination, especially when semi-annual reports have been made by the company itself.

However, one examination was attempted by the Treasurer. But the books and accounts of the concern were so crudely and imperfectly kept that it was practically impossible for an examination to be made that would reveal the real situation of the concern.

Attorney General Hemenway during the day discovered in the files of his own office that the Realty Company had been under consideration some time ago by his predecessor. It seems that President Pinkham of the Board of Health, on behalf of two lepers who were stockholders in the concern or contributors to it in some way, asked the Attorney General for a report on its methods and conditions. It seems from the files that some work in this behalf was done, but it does not appear that a report was ever made to Pinkham or that material sufficient for a report was collected. There is nothing in the files to indicate just why the matter was left incomplete.

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